Eliot Station Jan. 18th 1847.

Dear Bro. Phelps.

We are anxiously looking for you and Bro. Grave over this side - Any time when you get ready & can let me know I will send beasts.

The road from Bro. Evarts here is quite good, and it is about as near via Bro. Evarts as the way I came, when I left you.

I can hardly give consent that you should leave us as soon as you talked about, (a few weeks). when I consult my own feelings. - If your health demands it or Zion calls you go. And may the Lord be with you.

I would send you the receipt for the $5. O.K. but do not know just how you would like to have

it worded. I will wait
there for you till I see you.

My boy goes to town
this morning to get some
things for us and will
most likely return tomorrow
Any thing sent by him will
come safely to me.

If this note finds you
at Oberlin or Kingston I shall
hope to hear from you.

Remember me very kindly
to Bro. Graves. Most happy should
we be to receive a visit from
him — That we feel more duty
bound in you than him
is nothing strange since you
have so long helped us in
this Mission —

We have had
no rain, this side for several
days, and with prospects
of quite a dry time. To that

We hope your health would not suffer by a visit among us—

We reopen our school to day.- prospects very good so far as we can judge—

Quite a full congregation Yesterday.- Preached from Matt 7:4. We trust the Spirit of the Lord was with us,- without which no good will be done—daily is the declaration of the Saviour more & more deeply impressed upon my own mind "Without me Ye can do nothing",

Our help is in God- In him we trust, and through him we expect to conquer

But I must close for want of time—

My dear wife unite in most love to you, & wishes must to see you as also Bro Groves

If you can send us word by
our Messenger of your plans
and we can in any way aid
you most happy shall we be
in so doing —

In much love

Remain yours truly

L. Thompson

Rev'd A.G. Phelps